

Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/919,740	ELASSAAD ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Paul Dinh	2825	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 9/29/05 +10/17/05.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 6,8,20-26,31,34 and 35.

Identification of prior art discussed: none.


Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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Examiner's signature, if required

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According to the interview on 9/29/05 regarding claims 10, 11, and 12 duplicate claims 31, 34, and 35, respectively, as detailed in the final office action:

The applicants can overcome the issue of claim duplication by adding the limitation of claim 32 to allowable-independent claim 31 to make allowable-independent claim 31 distinguish claim 10. The after-final amendment overcomes the issue of claim duplication adding the limitation of claim 32 to allowable-independent claim 31 as discussed; therefore, claims 31, 34, and 35 are allowed.

According to the interview on 10/17/05; the followings will be done by examiner amendment to bring the application into a condition for allowance:

- (1) Cancel the non-elected-withdrawn claims 20-26.
- (2) Add the limitation of original-canceled claim 5 to claim 6 to fix antecedent basis problem.
- (3) The limitation "stage delay for each branch, comprising," after the equation in claim 8 was misplaced (wrong line in claim 8); therefore, this limitation will be re-positioned for clarity.

(See examiner amendment)

